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RESOLUTION NO. 117-21

BY: KRISTIN L. SABAN (By Request - Auditor)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT ANY ELIGIBLE FUNDING FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY AUTHORIZED UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, REIMBURSING THE CITY FOR ANY REVENUE LOSSES IN ANY GIVEN YEAR FROM 2020-2024 AND FOR ANY ADDITIONAL EXPENSES INCURRED RELATED TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, to respond to the COVID-19 public health crisis, The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) is providing fast and direct economic assistance for American workers, families, small businesses, and industries. The ARPA continues many of the programs started by the CARES Act (2020) and Consolidated Appropriations Act (2021) by adding new phases, new allocations, and new guidance to address issues related to the continuation of the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result of this economic crisis, the U.S. Department of the Treasury is providing needed relief to state, local, and Tribal governments to enable them to continue to support the public health response and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable economic recovery; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to accept ARPA grants to assist in responding to and mitigating the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution constitutes an emergency measure providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department and constitutes an emergency measure providing for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health and safety in the timely authorization and the signing of the necessary agreements and documents to receive such grants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARMA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That the Auditor is authorized to apply for and accept funding from the U.S. Department of Treasury as authorized under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, including, but not limited to, reimbursing the City for any revenue losses in any given year from 2020-2024, reimbursing the City for additional expenses incurred related to the COVID-19 pandemic and providing support for a recovery – including through assistance to households, small businesses and nonprofits, and aid to impacted industries as permitted by H.R. 1319 – 117th Congress and any applicable regulations issued by the U.S. Department of Treasury.

Section 2. That the Auditor is authorized to deposit the funds received under Section 1 of this Resolution for reimbursement of revenue losses in the appropriate accounts.

Section 3. That this Council affirms any ARPA funds received from the U.S. Department of Treasury may be expended only to cover costs of the City of Parma consistent with the requirements of H.R. 1319 – 117th Congress, and any applicable regulations. That the Clerk of Council shall certify a copy of this Resolution to any agency, department, or division of the United States, State of Ohio, or Cuyahoga County as may be required to receive and expend such funds

Section 4. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

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Section 5. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare of the City of Parma, and for further reason that this measure is necessary in order to apply for and accept funding from the U.S. Treasury, and this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council and approval of the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED:	
	PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL
ATTEST:	APPROVED:
FILED WITH THE MAYOR:	
	MAYOR, CITY OF PARMA, OHIO